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American Association for the Advancement of Science, which is to be held in Springfield, Mass.

The unsurpassed beauty of the location of the University, and the richness of both its terrestrial and aquatic fauna and flora, make this an ideal place for holding the meeting. It is equally attractive to the student of natural history and to those who love beautiful scenery.

The University buildings, which will be at the disposal of the Society, are especially adapted for the formal presentation of papers, blackboard illustrations, hanging of diagrams, etc., as well as for any demonstration that authors may desire to make. The armory is very conveniently located, both for the University and for the city, and a soiree there can hardly fail to be a great success.

Besides the attraction of papers and demonstrations by members, nearly all the opticians have expressed not only a willingness but a desire to be present and make an exhibit of their microscopes and microscopical apparatus, thereby affording the members an opportunity to see all the new and standard apparatus.

A special feature of the coming meeting will be the setting apart of one or more sessions for the reading of papers on methods and the demonstration of special or new methods. The chairman of the local committee, Professor W. W. Rowlee, or the President, will be glad to receive requests from those who desire to have some specially difficult method or structure elucidated, and an effort will be made to get some member particularly expert in such subject to demonstrate it before the Society.

Proceedings of the Club.

TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 12th, 1895.

Vice-President Lighthipe in the Chair and 24 persons present.

The following were elected active members: Mr. Claude Crittenden, Mrs. Wm. Starr Dana, Mr. Eugene H. Van Nest, Mr. James P. Gardner, Mr. S. Cook.

The Committee appointed to draw up resolutions on the death of Dr. J. Bernard Brinton presented a report which was accepted, and a copy of it placed on file.

The Instruction Committee reported progress, and submitted the prospectus of the summer class for 1895. The report was accepted.

The Chair appointed the following Field Committee for 1895: Chairman, Mr. Small; Mrs. Britton; Mr. Tyler; Mr. Van Sickle; Dr. Rusby.

The announced papers of the evening were then presented as follows:

George V. Nash, "Remarks on some new and little-known Plants of Central Florida." Illustrated by specimens. (Published in this issue of the BULLETIN.)

Elizabeth G. Britton, "Some Notes on the Genus *Mnium*." (To be published in a subsequent issue of the BULLETIN.)

A. Cogniaux, "Descriptions of new Melastomaceae from Bolivia," communicated by Dr. Rusby. (To be published in a subsequent issue of the BULLETIN.)

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MARCH 27TH, 1895.

Dr. Britton in the Chair and 34 persons present.

Mr. Eugene Smith, Miss Bliss, Miss Augusta Bliss and Miss Edith Parish were elected active members.

Dr. Britton announced the death of Mr. John H. Redfield, and remarked upon his life and labors. The Secretary also spoke upon the subject. Mr. Small moved that the Chair appoint a committee of three to draft suitable resolutions. Upon the adoption of the motion, a committee was appointed, consisting of Mr. Small and Professors Porter and Rusby.

Dr. Albert Schneider read his announced paper on "The Biological Status of the Lichens," maintaining that they are entitled to recognition as an independent group, and not to be classed as a division of either Algae or Fungi. It will be published in a subsequent issue of the BULLETIN.